

SENATE JOINT RESOLUTION 944

By Herron

A RESOLUTION to recognize Miss Crystal DeSha Skelton, 2000
Salutatorian of Greenfield High School.

WHEREAS, it is fitting that the members of this General Assembly should pause to pay tribute to those persons who through their natural talents and unflagging commitment to academic excellence have distinguished themselves in the classroom; and

WHEREAS, Crystal Skelton is one such exceptional student who was recently named salutatorian of the 2000 graduating class at Greenfield High School; and

WHEREAS, through diligent study, steady composure during examinations, and unyielding commitment of time and talent, Miss Skelton has achieved outstanding academic success, and has joined the ranks of the best and brightest students in Tennessee and our country; and

WHEREAS, in her remarkable high school career, Crystal has earned an exemplary 99.14 grade point average; and

WHEREAS, throughout her years at Greenfield High School, Miss Skelton was an active and valued member of the student body; she was involved in the Beta Club, the Math/Science Club, the Spanish Club, the Student Council, the yearbook staff, the Youth Leadership Weakley

County, the National Honor Society, the National Spanish Exam, the school play, the Math Bowl, and the Science Bowl; and

WHEREAS, she also served as an alternate for Girls State, as the program director and prayer leader for Youth for Christ, was a three-time winner in the school's Science Fair and has won regional and state honors in the Science Olympiad; and

WHEREAS, in recognition of her excellence and numerous accomplishments, Miss Skelton was elected Most Likely to Succeed in Who's Who, and was named to *Who's Who Among American High School Students*, received the All A's Award for three years, was on the Honor Roll all four years, won Best Actress Award, and received an honors diploma; and

WHEREAS, as a member of the BPA, Crystal has served with probity as the Vice President, the Hugh O'Brien Representative, and was the BPA state winner in the Extemporaneous II Speaking contest; and

WHEREAS, she is also an active and devout member of the Bethel Baptist Church in Greenfield; and

WHEREAS, Miss Skelton's display of intellectual aptitude and ambition surely bodes well for her future success; she plans on attending Union University in order to pursue her praiseworthy academic goals of majoring in business/communications; and

WHEREAS, Crystal Skelton's noteworthy achievement is a tremendous source of pride for her parents, Mitch and Rebekah Skelton, her school, and her community; and

WHEREAS, Crystal Skelton's dedication to excellence is clearly deserving of the respect, admiration, and commendation of this legislative body; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE OF THE ONE HUNDRED FIRST GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE, THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES CONCURRING, That we hereby commend and honor 2000 Greenfield High School Salutatorian, Miss Crystal DeSha Skelton, on her impressive academic achievement, and extend to her our best wishes for a happy, successful future.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That an appropriate copy of this resolution be prepared for presentation with this final clause omitted from such copy.